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IN THE CLAIMS:

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An arrangement in a mechanical shaft seal, comprising:

at least one a first sliding surface part [[(2)]] rotating with a shaft [[(14)]] in relation to
a frame; and (13) of the device,

at least one a second sliding surface part [[(4)]] fastened to the frame [[(13)]] and/or to a separate frame part [[(3)]] that is non-rotatable in relation thereto, wherein the first sliding surface part (2) rotating in relation to the frame (13) and the non-rotating second sliding surface part [[(4)]] are provided with sliding surfaces [[(15)]] pressed against one another, at least one a first additional part [[(7)]] arranged to connect the first sliding surface part (2) rotating in relation to the frame (13) to the shaft [[(14)]] and/or to at least one an insertion part [[(1)]] fastened to the shaft [[(14)]] and rotating therewith in order to transfer the rotating motion from the shaft [[(14)]] to the first sliding surface part [[(2)]], and at least one a second additional part [[(8)]] arranged to connect the second sliding surface part (4), which is non-rotatable in relation to the frame (13), to the frame or at least to one insertion part [[(6)]]connected to the frame in order to prevent the rotation of the second sliding surface part [[(4)]] in relation to the frame [[(13)]], eharacterized in that at least one of the first additional part parts (7) arranged to transfer the rotation torque of the shaft and/or at least one of the second additional part parts (8) receiving torque is a super elastic memory metal element arranged to bend within the limits of the reversible deformation of the material.

- 2. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein all the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are memory metal elements.
- 3. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein all the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are pins.
- 4. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein all the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are threaded pins.

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5. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein all the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are plates.

- 6. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein all the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are rings.
- 7. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 1, [[characterized in that]] wherein the <u>first and second</u> additional parts (7, 8) are machining features of the <u>first sliding</u> surface <u>part parts (1, 2) rotating in relation to the frame (13)</u> and/or of the <u>non-rotating second</u> sliding surface part [[(4)]].
- 8. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in [[any one of preceding claims 1 to 7]] claim 1, wherein the arrangement also comprises at least one spring [[(5)]], which is arranged to press [[the]] opposite sliding surfaces [[(15)]] of the <u>first</u> sliding surface <u>part parts</u> (1,2) and the second sliding surface part [[(4)]] against one another.
- 9. (Currently Amended) An arrangement as claimed in claim 8, [[characterized in that]] wherein the arrangement comprises [[an]] a second insertion part [[(6)]] movably fastened in the longitudinal direction of the shaft [[(14)]] to the frame [[(13)]], which is connected to the second sliding surface part (4) that is non-rotatable in relation to the frame (13) and which is pressed using the spring [[(5)]] against the second sliding surface part [[(4)]], the sliding surface (15) thereof of the spring being further pressed against the sliding surface of the first sliding surface part (1, 2) that is rotatable in relation to the frame (13).